THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Export of cotton yarn during period January-September, 1991 amounted to 91.3 million Kgs.

(b) Count-group wise exports of hank yarn during January-September, 1991 were as follows:

Count-groups	Quantity (million Kgs.)
*515 to 405	0.49
*414 to 605	0.47
615 and above . . .	2.16
TOTAL . . .	3.12

*Under Advance Licencing 100% ECU Schemes.

Loss in the Gangapur Cooperative Spinning Mills, Orissa

989. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Gangapur Cooperative Spinning Mills in Sundargarh district, Orissa has been running at a loss;

(b) if so, since when;

(c) what is the amount of loss accumulated in that spinning mill till the and of October, 1991; and

(d) what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government are taking to reduce the losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The mills started incurring losses since the year 1985-86.

(c) This unit has incurred accumulated loss of Rs. 847.86 lakh as on 31-3-1990.

(d) According to the Annual Report of The All India Federation of Cooperative Spinning Mills, 1990, the major reasons for poor performance of mills in Orissa, in general, are:

(i) Fall in Capacity utilisation.

(ii) Labour Absenteeism.

(iii) Lack of awareness for proper financial control and setting up of a modern costing system in individual units.

Adoption of cost effective systems and a constant monitoring of all relevant factors to check any undue cost-push has been advised in order to reduce losses.

Closure of Jute Mills under NJMC, Calcutta

990. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to close down a number of jute mills under National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd., Calcutta;

(b) if so, what are the names of these mills and the reasons for their closing down; and

(c) how many workers will be affected thereby?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Import Duty on Textile Machinery

991. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from the Synthetic and